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From: Burns, Francis
Sent: Mon 1/27/2014 5:12:18 PM
Subject: RE: update

Melissa:

Thanks,

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From: Linden, melissa
Sent: Monday, January 27, 2014 12:08 PM
To: Burns, Francis
Cc: Matlock, Dennis
Subject: update

OSCs Matlock and Linden reported that the facility is continuing to pump water from outside/upgradient of the secondary containment area. The majority of the site is frozen and most of the holes/sumps dug inside the tank containment are frozen and cannot be pumped.

The facility's contractor broke the surface ice on the containment trench at the base of the hill and added salt to help melt the ice. The liner was pulled back and both the surface water and the water which had seeped under the liner, was pumped out of the trench and into a tank for temporary storage. The facility reported that there was no sheen or smell of MCHM in either the surface water or the seeped water from the containment trench.

Ice in the river continues to be a significant issue with maintaining the river boom in place. The facility contractor is attempting to break ice and to properly position the river booms. Because of the ice, once the boom is repositioned further from the river bank, a plan moving forward describing the maintenance of the boom will be decided upon. The USCG will reach back to other USCG personnel who have had experiences with deploying boom in icy conditions to see what options may be available.

The facility and its remediation consultant, CEC, met with WVDEP, EPA, and USCG today, to discuss the remediation plan. Based upon the meeting discussions WVDEP, EPA, and USCG gave verbal approval to begin sampling a further evaluation of the plan will be conducted and approved later in writing.

